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nd will be d will be buried to-day es of his old friends and . C. Hayward's rooms. The Colonist.

FRIDAY, JANI ARY 9, 1891. AMERICAN CRITICISM.

For fear that our readers might think that we were partial in what we have said with respect to the merits of the dispute between Great Britain and the United States respecting jurisdiction over the waters of Behring's Sea, we will quote what intelligent and patriotic Americans say about the claims which their Government is making. The Oregonian, which is Republican in politics, does not allow its national partialities to blind it to the weakness and the unreasonableness of the contention of the United States minister. In an article headed "An Hereditary Diplomat," the Oregonian says:

that thus far he has the better of Secre-Behring Sea was a closed sea prior to our purchase of Al ska, we acquired with our purchase of Al ska, we required with
the territory the maritime rights of Russia over that waterway. This position
lacks historical foundation, and is at
variance with international law and rbitration, but Mr. Blaine refuses, besustain him in his position. There is no internati nal tribunal worthy of respect

subject would care to use stronger language than this. If he did, we are afraid has all his life had his thinking done for indeed, favored among northern counthat many Americans would condemn it him and who has been employed in some tries. This is the 8th of January, and as inspired by national jealousy and an- department of labor that gave no scope there has been neither frost nor snow in

little dependence on the statements be necessary for him to be from the very made by the American Government and first, and particularly at the first, a jackits agents respecting the decrease of the of-all-trades. He most be able to turn seals in Behring's Sea and the waters adhis hand to a score of things, which he tariff has been to lower the price of jacent thereto. Our Portland contempor- did not even attempt in his old world sugar. Granulated sugar was lately sold ary takes strong ground on this point, life; and, being his own master, his mind in Philadelphia for April d livery at 4

In February last the old company, which had held the privilege for twenty years. General Booth's colonist was willing to pay an advanced price for the renewal of the privilege. The Canadian sealers came in with their usual each this y-ar and better, and deny the diminution of the seals. The slaughter of the seals since last February must have been enormous, and beyond reasonable belief, and until the dispute is cleared up by further and more conclusive evidence. by further and more conclusive evidence Lord Salisbury is justified in refusing to act on Mr. Blaine's assumption by order-ing English vessels out of Behring's Sea

The testimony of a Puget Sound journal on this subject is peculiarly valuable.

this: "We have claimed sovereignty over the waters of Behring's Sea, and, right or wrong, we mean to do our best to enforce the claim." We have a very strong suspicion that this is how many of the men who support Mr. Harrison's administration read Mr. Blaine's letters, and this is the meaning which their wishes them to convey.

It is hardly to be expected that a very writter. There is nothing in the correspondence, printed to-day, to relieve the general public apprehension that the bumptious and blustering diplomacy of Mr. Blaine has involved the United States in a more serious rolled for them on their arrival. Otherwise the scheme will be unworkable, and the unsupport Mr. Blaine's letters, and this is the meaning which their themselves.

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every fair request. The arbitrators could, therefore, reach a definite c uclusion and amicably settle this muddle in a mighty

the United States Government is side of the Rocky Mountains is most pursuing with respect to this striking. On the 5th of last month, when fur seal question, which these two the fl wers were blooming in our gardens organs of public opinion have expressed, and the air could hardly be said to be are, no doubt, the same as those held by even chilly, a man and his wife near hundreds of thousands of intelligent Charlottetown, P. E. I., endured the American ci.izens. Mr. Harrison's Admost dreadful sufferings wandering about ministration knows this, and so does the in a blinding snow-storm. The poor Republican majority in Congress. It is woman perished before help came not likely that knowing this Mr. Blaine and the man was in such a state that it and his colleagues will proceed to ex- would have been better for him if he had tremities. To make a little capital in died too. In Montreal we read that the certain quarters by twisting the tail of weather has been very cold, the mercury the British lion will, perhaps, be excused, in the thermometer being a long way bebut to incur the hostility of a powerful low zero, when here it was in the forties. nation, by insisting on a claim which all The weather has been somewhat milder intelligent Americans know to be unten- in Toronto, but further west the cold has But the most conspicuous proof of able will bring upon the Government been very severe. Even in Europe the such thus far he has the better of Secrebers belong sure and speedy condemna- to be favored with a much more genial that this is likely to prove utterly has not made a great many more enemies beast of have suffered from the inclemency stenable. Blaine contends that as than friends in his own country by what of the weather. In Loudon the British he has already written and done on this Columbian shivers. He has not been used

CONVERTS AS COLONISTS.

reformed paupers and thieves to the colo- Even in Italy the weather was raw and nies is not received with enthusiasm in cold and the railways to Bucharest, a any of the great colonies. Canada does Vienna dispatch says, were blocked with not want accessions to its population, snow and the weather was intensely cold. composed of men and women who are A snow storm was raging at Queenstown, to arbitrate is a confession of a bad case, and plees our Government in a most unfortunate position. We are not able to make war, and yet we refuse to arbitrate of settlers in a new country. The new When we read these accounts and construction of training to do the rough work required steamers could not land their mails.

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Me mental vigor. He must of necessity be is experienced in eastern countries with self-reliant and have adaptability and the mild and pleasant weather we, in · for his ingenuity, will find himself sadly or near the city. The Oregonian, we see, places very out of place in a position in which it will

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The Herald also takes the right view large percen age of the General's converts, for the part which Great Britain has taken in this controversy. It says:

"As a matter of right, England will not concede our exclusive claim to the seals when found far out at sea because to till the still and grow grain and fruits.

The Herald also takes the right view large percen age of the General's converts, even after they have passed the required imaginary difference upon a matter relatively trilling; but a policy of brag and bluster, of tricky evasion and intemperate quibbling may bring about a state of relations with a natural friendly nation only less disastrous than actual war. seals when found far out at sea, because to till the soil and grow grain and fruits less disastrous than actual war.
we ourselves have made precedents the other way. As a matter of courtesy, and on the the sun ever so genial for, as the Argus ground of international comity, she has says in another part of the article, "the ance has been materially increased since the truth is that independence is difficult."

The contrast between the weather on this Pacific coast and that of countries in The opinions on the course which the same parallel of latitude on the other to such bitter cold. On the last day of the old year the mercury stood at ten de grees above zero. Here, in Victoria, it was as high as 45°, and during the very General Booth's proposal to send his coldest part of the night it was only 38°

WEATHER CONTRASTED.

EDITORIAL COMMENT.

also. It continues:

"Mr. Blaine has also failed to satisfy Lord Salisbury that the seals in the waters of Behring's Sea are rapidly being exterminated by reckless and indiscriminates laughter. The official records of the United States treasury show that in 1888, Special Agent Tingley reported that seal life was not being depleted, but exceeded his estimates of 1887, which placed the number of scals at 6,000,000 to 7,000,000.

Now that matters have settled down in

From The Daily Colonist, January 8.

H. M. S. Melpomene.

Alderman John Robertson has obtained the contract for nine ventilators to be placed in H. M.S. Melpomene. The work is to be completed with all possible expedition Substantial Results.

produced at the Victoria a few weeks ago, resulted in the addition of \$249.35 to the building fund of the new Roman Catholic Cathedral.

Court Notes.

The defendant in the case of Hayward v. Hoisterman (libel) will be examined before the registrar and a shorthand reporter at 11 d'clock this morning. The trial of C. P. R. Co. v. Sinclair has been adjourned until Justices McCreight and Walkem can sit.

Awaiting an Owner.

A letter has been received at this office from Devonshire, Eegland, stating that if Mrs. Elizabeth Cordella Jane Charley, who resided in Victoria in 1879, and in Somenos in 1886, will communicate with her uncle she will receive £2,100, left as a legacy by her aunt, who recently died.

Barolay, on Chatnam street. Sergeant Wal-ker immediately went after his man whom he found in one of the saloons on the way out to Esquimatt. He made him his priso-ner and brought him to town.

There is at present stored in the customs house at Port Townsend about one ton of contraband opium, the result of many month's work on the part of the customs officers. Most of this opium came from Victoria, and, in addition to the present lot, a considerable amount has been sold at different times, and has brought excellent prices, but if this lot was auctioned off at its actual face value on the American soil, which is about \$16, the receipts would amount to \$35.840. This lot, so it is claimed, consists entirely of prepared opium, and the larger portion is considered the finest that can be secured.

on the said goods, &c., and that no different invoice or account thereof has been or will be furnished to any one by or on behalf of

Fined \$20.

An unlucky Chinaman was brought before An uniusky Uniuaman was brought before the city police magistrate yesterday morn-ing, on a charge of selling a fottery ticket and thereby obtaining the sum of 25 cents. He plead guilty and was fined \$20.

The Port Townsend-Dungeness Cable. The Port Townsend-Dungeness value.

The Pacific Postal Telegraph Co.'s new wire between Port Townsend and Dungeness was completed yesterday, and works most satisfactorily. This gives Victoria direct communication with Portland and San Francisco.

Lower Remis Demanded.

The business men of Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane Falls are taking action towards inducing their landlords to reduce the rents at least 25 per cent. It is contended that the present system of high rents, high insurance, light and water rates, unless modified, will compel many merchants either to assign or retire from business.

her aunt, who recently died.

Here for Repairs.

Our American cousins apparently recognize the fact that Victoria is a first class port for sending their steamers to be repaired. The Holyoka is now receiving extensive overhauling, and the Kingston and Olympian are waiting for a chance to get into dock, which the Costa Rica will leave in about two weeks.

Mr. Wilson's Cauvass.

Last night a numerously attended meeting of the friends of Mr. Wilson was held in Temperance hall, the object being the formation of a thorough organization for the purposes of his canvass for the mayoralty. Committees were formed and other work done necessary to the carrying out of the object contemplated. Mr. Wilson's friends professed themselves as very sanguine as to the results of their undertaking.

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A Weelen Factory.

The Vancouver World says: Mr. Henry Gandry, a woolen factory man, who recently arrived from the east, has been thinking seriously of erecting a woolen factory somewhere in this province, and if sufficient encouragement is given him he is willing to try the enterprise and erect a mill capable of giving employment to thirty men.

Accused of Robbery.

Last night word was received at the police station giving the description of a man accused of having stolen a coat, watch and chain valued at \$15 from one George Barclay, on Chatnam street. Sergeant Wal-

University of British Columbia.

Bardsay, on Chatham street. Sergeant Walker immediately went after his man whom he found in one of the saloons on the way out to Esquimalt. He made him his prisoner and brought him to town.

Wrestling Match.

A letter has been received from San Francisco, by Dan McLeod, of Nanaimo, containing the details of a match made in that city between Acton and himself for \$1,000 a side, to come off between Feb. 28, and March 5. \$200 forfeit have already been posted and another \$400 on both sides will be posted on the 14th of the present month. The conditions are catch as-catch can, best two falls in three, the winner to take 75 per cent. Already large sum of money have been bet on the result

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clear musical note, that instantly makes one think of the boat's graceful lines and handsome appearance. It is very loud, and an be heard for miles.

Geods on Consignment.

Collector Mine has received in circular form copies of the declaration to be made by the foreign owner of goods shipped to Canada on consignment. This is to be used before the collector, or the mayor, or any other chief municipal officer at the place in the United Kingdom, or in Her Majesty's possessions abroad from where the goods are shipped, and at any other place before a British consul, or if there is no British consul, or if there is no British onsul, or if there is no British consul, or ment of the effect that the shipper is the owner of the goods shipped on consignment, described in the invoice, which contains a full and true statement of the full market value when sold for home consumption; that such fair market value includes any bounties, drawbacks, royalties, rents or charges that may have been, or are expected, to be allowed or paid

AMUSEMENTS.

Minstrelsy at The Victoria, and Varied Pleasures Elsewhere, Last Evening.

Instructive Scientific Lectures Well Appreciated-The Late Christmas Trees-Gossip.

A combination of concentrated complete

ness is the Goodyear. Elitch and Schilling

A combination of concentrated completes ness is the Goodyear, Elitch and Schilling ministrels, who opened at the Victoria, yesterday evening. Very very seldom, does a ministrel company redeem the promises and by its heralds, but the company now holding the boards is a great and glowing exception. The instrumental and vocal music is away above par, and the style of the stage settings, with their gold and glitter, satin and allver, is simply, gorgous." The grand descriptive overture, hunting scene, which introduces the evening's entertainment, is newland good, and its prepares the way for bottern things to follow. The premier jesters—Goodyear, Edwards, Symonds, Hughes, Eyerst, and Lambert, carry a fair, percentage of the best stories known to the trade, but they have in addition many that are absolutely new and, really finey or a season that it has been pronounced—and more. In specialties, introduced in the second part, the company comes out strong, Little Rastus, undoubtedly the best wing; dance in America, is a show himself, and a good show too. Charles Goodyear is a hangy it has Bentley Brothers, in vocal unitation of church organ, calliope, and copher, instruments, are faithful artists and massical geniuses. Mr. Schilling in musical special ties is equally wonderful, while the accordance in the work and posing fa picturesque, refined and finished. Instead of the time work farge, the ministrels close the evening with original shadowgraphs, novel and very attached. No doubt many who saw last night performance will go again this evening, as the show is well work the entry of the case for the Crown to prove that the report of the case for the Crown to prove that the tidy very and the examination of the case for the Crown to prove that the stage and the proposed to the man supposed to have been meant. Of course, he remarked, and the tidy very and the examination of the case for the Crown to prove that the respective to the case for the crown has called in the city policy and toward toward the case of the crown has inished. Instead of the time-wors farge, the minstrels close the evening with original shadowgraphs, novel and very attractive. No doubt many who saw last night's performance will go again this evening, as the show is well worth seeing twice, and tonight is positively the last, of the engagement.

"THE CHEMISTRY OF THE SUN."

A scientific lecture is usually but according to the distribution of the subject was the great rule. His subject was the chemistry of the sun, and it was handled in a manner that made it in no way "dry" or tedious. A number of interesting and instructive experiments were made daring the evening, some of them highly amusing, and all well appreciated by the audience, which filled the lecture hall, and contained a good percentage of ladies.

IONA SOCIAL DANCE.

The social dance held in Harmony Hall last The social dance held in Harmony Hall last night, under the direction of the Iona Social Club, was enjoyed to the full by eiveryone present. Twenty-four couples were in the hall, all of whom were young and bent on having a thoroughly good time; and as is usual in such cases, the hours proved all too short to hold the pleasures that they brought. Music of the best was provided, and it is no wonder that the club have reason to feel proud of the success of their last night's party.

entleman who is not only "book learned,"

NOT YET CONCLUDED.

Evidence Taken in the Case of Joseph Silk, Who is Further Remanded Until Friday.

As promised, the Crown was ready to proceed, when the case of Joe. Silk, charged with being an accessory to the Fee murder, was called in the city police court, yester-day morning.

day morning.

The Deputy Attorney-General called, as

The Directors of the British Columbia Agri-

The president, Mr. R. D. Ker, was in the chair last evening, when a well attended neeting of the B.C. Agricultural Society was held in the City Hall. The principal business of the evening was the formation of working committees for the year, and these were drafted in the following order:

Finance—R. Seabrook, J. H. Todd and Dr. Milne.

Printing and Advertising—R. Seabrooke, W. J. McKeon, jr.; W. J. Pendray and T.

W. J. McKeon, jr.; W. J. Pendray and T. Carter.

Hall—T. J. Partridge, W. J. Pendray,
M. Baker, J. T. McIlmoyl, E. Hutcheson,
and F. Page.

Yard—T. Carter, W. Thomson, W. Lorimer, H. Webb, A. C. Wells, J. Kirkland,
and W. J. McKeon, jr.

Racing and Sports—D. H. Ross, Jno.
Braden, W. Dalby, E. John, A. Templeton,
H. Benson.

Band—U. Hayward, J. H. Todd, R. Seabrook, C. Major.

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Reception—Officers and Board of Direct-

ors.

Prize List—Dr. Milne, T. J. Partridge,
J. H. McIlmoyl, T. Carter, E. Hutcheson,
and W. J. McKeon, jr.

Building and Grounds—W. Dalby, D. H.
Ross, C. Hayward, W. Templeman and Dr.
Milne

Milne.

The secretary was instructed to engage an assistant, and, as the committee know their work, a strong and systematic effort will be made at once in the direction of securing new grounds and buildings.

Pitts v. Phillips-This case was opened yesterday, and the evidence for the plaintiff is now all in. That of the defence will be put in to-day. The Attorney-General appears for the plaintiff, and Mr. F. G. Walker for the defendant.

